

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**OVERSIGHT AND SAFETY DIVISION**

**GAS UTILITIES  
INFORMATION BULLETIN**

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**SECTION 1****NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED**

**DOCKET NO.** -- **10643**  
**CAPTION** -- Application filed by Oasis Pipe Line Company Texas, L.P. to report the acquired assets of more than \$1 million from ETC Field Services LLC.  
**DATE FILED** -- 06/19/2017  
**FILED BY** -- Claire Johnson  
**EXAMINER** -- Amy Bruce  
**TECHNICAL** --

**SECTION 2****APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

[Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2017](#)

**BEFORE THE  
RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**STATEMENT OF INTENT FILED BY §**  
**ONALASKA WATER & GAS SUPPLY §**  
**CORPORATION TO CHANGE RATES IN § GAS UTILITIES DOCKET No. 10617**  
**THE ENVIRONS OF THE CITY OF § (and consolidated case)**  
**ONALASKA §**

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

***Summary of the Proceeding*** – On March 24, 2017, Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas (“Commission”) a Statement of Intent to change rates in the environs of the City of Onalaska. That case was docketed as GUD No. 10617. On May 11, 2017, Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation filed with the Commission a Petition for De Novo Review of the Denial of the Statement of Intent Filed by Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation by the City of Onalaska, Texas. That case was docketed as GUD No. 10634 and subsequently consolidated with GUD No. 10617.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** a public hearing will be held, at the time and place set out below, to consider all issues of fact and law raised in or relevant to the Statement of Intent and Petition for De Novo Review of Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation. The issues that may be addressed at the hearing include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The legality and effect of Statement of Intent and Petition for De Novo Review filed by Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation;
2. The justness and reasonableness of all of the utility rates, operations, and services, including the operations of the various applicable tariffs of Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation;
3. The safety, adequacy, efficiency, and reasonableness of services provided by Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation;

4. The company's compliance with all applicable statutes, rules, orders, duties, direction, or requirements of the Commission, enforced by the Commission, or imposed by the Commission;
5. Whether any changes should be imposed on any existing tariffs;
6. Whether the changes in rates and services proposed by Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation in this proceeding are not unreasonably preferential, prejudicial, or discriminatory, but are sufficient, equitable, and consistent in application to each class of customer, in compliance with applicable provisions of the Texas Utilities Code;
7. Any and all other issues raised in the pleadings, evidence, or argument that are necessary for the Commission to render a final decision on the merits of this case.

***Legal Authority and Jurisdiction.*** The Commission has, or may have, jurisdiction over Onalaska and the matters at issue in this proceeding pursuant to GURA Sections 102.001 (Railroad Commission Jurisdiction), 104.001 (Authorization to Establish and Regulate Rates), and pursuant to Chapter 121 (Gas Pipelines) of the Texas Utilities Code, including Sections 121.051 (Gas Utility: Public Interest and Jurisdiction of Railroad Commission), 121.052 (Pipelines: Monopolies Subject to Railroad Commission), and 121.151 (Railroad Commission Regulation of Gas Pipelines). The Administrative Law Judges and the Technical Examiners shall conduct the hearing pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2001 (Administrative Procedure) of the Texas Government Code and pursuant to Title 16, Part 1 (Railroad Commission of Texas), of the Texas Administrative Code.

***Particular Statutes and Rules Involved.*** The statutes and rules applicable to this proceeding may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. All sections in GURA Chapters 101 (General Provisions and Office of Public Utility Counsel), 102 (Jurisdiction and Powers of Railroad Commission and Other Regulatory Authorities), 103 (Jurisdiction and Powers of Municipality), 104 (Rates and Services), and /or Chapter 121 (Gas Pipelines) of the Texas Utilities Code; and
2. Title 16, Part 1 (Railroad Commission of Texas), of the Texas Administrative Code, including Chapters 1 (Practice and Procedure) and 7 (Gas Services Division).

***Time, Place, and Nature of Hearing.*** **IT IS DIRECTED** that the hearing on the merits shall commence at **9:30 a.m. on Monday, July 17, 2017**, at the Commission's offices in the William B. Travis Building, 1701 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas, 12<sup>th</sup> floor, room 12-126. If the hearing is not concluded on the day it commences, the hearing will be continued from day to day, as announced until concluded.

**IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED** that all parties desiring to present sworn testimony, documentary and demonstrative evidence, and argument regarding any issue of law or fact at the final hearing on the merits **SHALL** appear in person or by an attorney. For good cause shown, the ALJ may permit part of the proceeding to be conducted telephonically pursuant to Commission Rule § 1.130 (Telephonic Proceedings).

***Written Transcript of the Hearing.*** The record of the hearing will be made by stenographic transcription by the court reporter. Any party that desires a copy of the written transcript of the hearing should contact the court reporter at (512) 282-0313. The Commission may assess the cost of the transcript or expedited transcript to one or more parties pursuant to Section 2001.059 (Transcript) of the Texas Government Code.

***Auxiliary Aids or Services for Persons with a Disability.*** Any individual with a disability who needs auxiliary aids and services to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in the hearing

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must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the hearing by notifying the Human Resources Department of the Commission by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 or by telephone at (512) 463-6981 or TDD No. (800) 735-2989.

**Contact for Additional Information** – In accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §2001.061 and 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.6, *ex parte* communications with the Administrative Law Judges, Examiners, and Commissioners are prohibited. Any persons or entities desiring additional information may contact the Commission by writing to the Director, Hearings Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, 1701 North Congress Avenue, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, and Austin, Texas 78711-2967. Any persons or entities having clerical questions, such as questions regarding the number of copies of filings, the service list or reviewing the record, may contact, Docket Services, at (512) 463-6848.

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Dana Avant Lewis  
Administrative Law Judge  
Hearings Division

### SECTION 3

#### STATUS OF PENDING CASES

### SECTION 4

#### NOTICES OF DISMISSAL

None at this time.

### SECTION 5

#### ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION

### SECTION 6

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Kari French, OVERSIGHT AND SAFETY DIRECTOR**

#### **1. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

##### **A. Publications**

1. Texas Utilities Code Titles 3 and 4. Now available at the State of Texas' website at:

<http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>

Special Rules of Practice and Procedure and Substantive Rules. Now available via the Commission's website at:

[http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7)

2. Annual Report for Fiscal Year – Now available via the Commission’s website at:  
<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/2016-statistical-reports/>
3. Six MCF Monthly Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Twenty-five Texas Cities - Now available via the Commission’s website at:  
<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/six-mcf-report/>

**B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2017 is 0.42%. All gas utilities should use 0.11% for the calendar year 2016 and 0.07% for calendar year 2015.

**2. UTILITY AUDIT SECTION**

**A. Maintains headquarters and three district offices as follows:**

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building 1701 North Congress, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78701	Telephone (512) 463-7022
Ed Abrahamson, Director, Utility Audit Section	Fax (512) 475-3180
Pearl Rodriguez, Program Specialist	

Fort Worth - City Hall 13th Street Annex, 401 W. 13 <sup>th</sup> St Suite B	Telephone (817) 882-8966
	Fax (817) 882-8951
Josh Settle, Senior Auditor	
Yolandra Davis, Senior Auditor	

Austin District - P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967

Stephen Cooper, Advising Auditor	Telephone (512) 463-7119
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Houston District - 1706 Seamist Drive, Suite 501	Telephone (713) 869-8425
Houston, TX 77008-3135	Fax (713) 869-3219
Margie Stoney, Project Auditor	
Larry Alcorn, Auditor	
Dale Francis, Senior Auditor	
Konata Uzoma, Senior Auditor	
Vonetta Jackson, Auditor	

**B. Gas Utility Tax, Annual Reports and Audit Reports**

1. Questions relating to gas utility tax, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
2. Questions relating to annual reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
3. Inquiries relating to audit reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.

**C. Available Information**

Gas Utility Annual Reports - Now available via Commission’s website at:

[https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?\\_module=\\_esd&\\_action=\\_keysearch&profile=13](https://rrcsearch3.neubus.com/esd3-rrc/index.php?_module=_esd&_action=_keysearch&profile=13)

Information relating to any of the above, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Department, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of seven to ten business days for completion of requests. Inquiries regarding

copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022, or Fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

### 3. **MARKET OVERSIGHT**

A. Maintains the following office to assist you:

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building  
1701 North Congress, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711  
Mark Evarts, Director

Telephone (512) 463-7167

B. **Gas Utilities Information Bulletin**

Published on the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/gas-services/publications-statistics/gas-utilities-information-bulletins/>

C. **Proposals For Decision**

Published on the Commission's web site at:

<http://www.rrc.texas.gov/hearings/dockets/gas-utility-dockets/>

D. **Tariff Filings**

Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Claudia Godoy, Andrea Matamoros or Virgie Frausto at (512) 463-7167.

E. **Curtailments**

Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7167 or by email at [naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:naturalgascurtailment@rrc.texas.gov). Curtailment reports made Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made during hours other than those specified above and holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.

F. **Compliance Filings**

Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Christina Poole at (512) 463-7167 or by email at [GUD.Compliance@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:GUD.Compliance@rrc.texas.gov).

G. **Complaints and Inquiries**

All complaints and inquiries relating to the gas utility industry should be directed to the Market Oversight Section at (512) 463-7164 or by email at [gascomplaints@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:gascomplaints@rrc.texas.gov).

H. **Pending RRC Rules and Regulations:**

### 4. **HEARINGS AND LEGAL ANALYSIS**

A. **Miscellaneous**

Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the General Counsel Division at (512) 463-7149.

B. **Status of Pending Cases**

The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the General Counsel Division at (512) 463-7149.